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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners:

Ruth Y. Goldway, Chairman; Robert G. Taub, Vice Chairman; and Mark Acton

Competitive Product Prices Global Expedited Package Services 3 (MC2010-28) Negotiated Service Agreement Docket No. CP2013-26

ORDER GRANTING MOTION FOR TEMPORARY RELIEF
IN GLOBAL EXPEDITED SERVICES 3
NEGOTIATED SERVICE AGREEMENT

(Issued December 26, 2013)

On December 20, 2013, the Postal Service filed a Motion concerning a second modification (Modification Two) of the Global Expedited Package Services (GEPS) 3 negotiated service agreement approved in Docket No. CP2013-26 (Agreement). Modification Two extends the Agreement's expiration date from January 6, 2014 to February 28, 2014 and amends Article 15, Postage Updates. Motion at 1.

In support of its Motion, the Postal Service states that it intends to initiate a new rate docket in which it will file a successor to the Agreement, but in the interest of continuity of pricing and other terms and conditions, asks that the Agreement remain on

¹ Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief and Notice of the United States Postal Service of Filing Modification Two to a Global Expedited Package Services 3 Negotiated Service Agreement, December 20, 2013 (collectively, Motion.)

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the Mail Classification Schedule, as amended by the terms set forth in Modification Two. *Id.* at 2.

The Commission grants the Motion. The relatively brief extension the Postal Service seeks is consistent with the public interest and does not give rise to any prejudice. In addition, the amendment to Article 15 appears to improve the Postal Service's financial position under the Agreement, and the anticipated successor docket provides an avenue for addressing pricing-related matters.

It is ordered:

 The Motion of the United States Postal Service for Temporary Relief, filed December 20, 2013, is granted.

2. The Agreement is authorized to remain on the Mail Classification Schedule until expiration on February 28, 2014, as amended by Modification Two filed in this docket on December 20, 2013.

By the Commission.

Shoshana M. Grove, Secretary